

Certified Firefighter

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Must have a valid driver's license
- North Carolina certified firefighter applicants must have current NC Certified Firefighter I and II and Hazardous Materials Responder Level I. Out of state applicants must have a current equivalent to NC Certified Firefighter I and II and Hazardous Materials Responder Level I. Equivalent certifications must be from an IFSAC or Pro Board accredited agency. **You must bring COPIES of these certifications on your test date. These copies will not be returned.**
- All certified firefighter applicants must have NC EMT-B certification or must be able to attain NC EMT-B certification through reciprocity. **You must bring a COPY of this certification on your test date. This copy will not be returned.**
- As of July 1 of the current year, applicants must have been employed as a full-time sworn firefighter by a municipal or Department of Defense fire department for at least two consecutive years with no more than a 3-month lapse in employment as a sworn firefighter

OR

applicants must have graduated from a municipal fire academy, the Durham Technical Community College Fire Academy, or other approved fire academy within the past two years (two years prior to 7/1 of the current year).

Certified Firefighter applicants must bring proof of employment or graduation on their test date. This copy will not be returned. (Note: government fire department/academy is defined as a city, town, or Department of Defense fire department.)

Certified firefighter applicants will take a job knowledge test from the NFPA 4th Edition of Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills and Hazardous Materials Response by Jones & Bartlett. The test will last approximately 2 hours. Certified applicants who score 70 or higher may be scheduled to interview. Certified applicants who do not pass the job knowledge test with a minimum score of 70 are permitted to take the entry level test, but if chosen for hire, those applicants will be required

to attend a full academy. The certified firefighter test is for applicants who already have the required FIRE certifications, two years of fire experience, or have graduated from an approved fire academy.

If Chosen to Interview

All applicants should bring copies of the following documents on their interview date. These documents will NOT be returned:

- Copy of birth certificate
- Copy of high school or college transcript or GED, HiSET, TASC Test Report
- Copy of Military Discharge (DD-214), if applicable
- Copy of Driver's License
- Copy of Social Security Card
- Copy of Shot Records (since birth) Note: Applicants who do not have the Hepatitis B series would begin that series when hired.

If Hired

Certified applicants will attend a brief academy, lasting approximately 6 weeks.